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We're thankful for the things we eat,
The oysters with the turkey meat,
The health we have, the sweet contents
With blessings which to us are sent;
The golden, glorious pumpkin pies,
The hose of heaven beyond the skies,
The sweet potatoes, piping hot,
The clustered bow knot mistletoe;
The celery crisp and cold and white,

The chicken gravy, seasoned right,
The rosy pones of sweet corn bread,
The righteous slices of all our dead;
The yellow beet, the parsnip brown,
The cider that must precede the crowns;
The better harvest in pots of gold,
Or pancakes of heroic mold,
The wide expanse of all things good,
Nowhere less nothingness, though that's the rule.

And last of all, our dinner done,
We hasten to give thanks as one,
Who feels that thanks are more than due
For medicine to pull him through.

WILL J. LAMPTON.

THANKSGIVING TURKEY.

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IT IS now quite a little time since russet sandaled, gold clasped, red headed autumn strolled a gracious smile upon the blooming landscape and set her gay official seal upon the fading year in the form of a large, thick pumpkin pie. You can feel Thanksgiving in the air, just as you can Christmas or rent day. The spirit of the season is serene and quiet, and the haze shifts about the sumac like a dream, while the occasional breeze wakes rustling symphonies in the dry, crisp oak leaves, and causes ripples of discomfort to follow one another rapidly over the shining anatomy of the short haired dog until he arches his back and tries to gather himself together for warmth, while his tearful eyes protrude until it seems a physical impossibility for him to close the lids over them.

And it seems to the casual observer of docile nature that even as the chilly air curls the leaves, so does it curl the dog's tail until it has the appearance of having been done up in papers. The rosy apples have long ago been gathered, and the pumpkins have been put away in the cellar and the corn stacks have been gathered and are now robbing the inner cow, while the cobs are being converted into pleasant pipes and pegs for keeping the mouth of the deceased perker open.

The gobbler struts about with great dignity and pride, swelling with indignation when approached, and tossing his great flaming red necktie about in the air, and putting on more style to the square inch than a highly educated circus horse capering to slow music.

At this time the gobbler is being fed so bountifully that he is at a loss to divine the reason thereof. He little fancies that he is living high on Thanksgiving day. He cannot understand the meaning of the smiles that wo daily lavished upon him, and when he is confined in a coop while the cramming process is in force he little dreams that it is to prevent him from moving about and taking any exercise that might tend to reduce his flesh or harden his muscles to an extent that might possibly shatter the artistic beauty of a set of store or vegetable-ivory teeth. It is a pathetic sight to see a gobbler in training for a Thanksgiving feast, while he gazes wistfully across the murky landscape where the partridge drums and whirrs, his incarnate spirit surcharged with a vague, unsatisfied yearning almost equaled by that of a tooth powder poet shivering on the pavement while enjoying the pleasant vision of a shop window full of light overcoats, some of which in tone are solid liver while others are striped like bacon. He stands upon one leg for a sufficient length of time to give him various veins in that member, yet he little dreams that he will shortly be without a leg to stand on, and that his wings will be utilized as salt brushes, while his wishbone dries on a nail over the library door like a scalp on the pole of a wigwam.

What a glorious thing it is for the turkey that he can eat himself into a state of splenetic perfection and still be in total ignorance of the untimely fate which awaits him. Being a vain bird he probably fancies that the food which is lavished upon him is the result of a general recognition of his great beauty and shape. But if he knew the real state of affairs it is quite likely that he would not look upon the corn when it is red upon the ground, and instead of drinking the water set apart for his use he would sit down in it like a duck, while swelling in his bosom the fond hope that such a departure might have the, to him, salutary effect of developing a sore cold or a good old fashioned attack of chills that would quickly shake the flesh off his bones, feathers and all, and render him as cadaverous and woe-begone as a tailor's collector in a biting snowstorm.

He would doubtless stand in a deep and brown study, pondering to himself the happiness that could be his if he could only become possessed of certain patent medicines that are warranted to make this people fat and fat people thin. He could then fatten on corn and reduce himself with medicine, and thus live like a fighting turkey cock, and at the same time remain so abnormal as to render his chances of going under the Thanksgiving carving knife considerably slimmer than his anatomy. He knows there is a certain spring on the farm that contains chemical properties, but he does not yearn to drink of it in the hope of reducing his avoirdupois, for the reason that he knows that its medicinal virtues exist only in the circular of the farmhouse that would gather unto the proprietor many shekels of silver and greenbacks.

He knows that the proprietor gives the spring a dash of quinine early in the morning, which fills it with a disgusting flavor that causes the imbiber to fancy that it is doing him great service, when in reality the quinine put in it has only the effect of destroying the malaria germs in the bubbling fount, that still offers the imbiber a fair chance of contracting a good case of typhoid fever.

Everything bespeaks the advent of Thanksgiving. The 4:20 horse trot at the county fair; the savory aroma of pumpkin pie; the strident ripple of the expiring pig; the farmer laying in a box of dominoes and a barrel of applejack to make the winter night summery; the call of the loon, the deep, early twilight freckled with throbbing stars—all these suggest the season of Thanksgiving. And when commerce is ready to fold its sails to eat turkey, that poor bird is still fattening himself to be a satisfactory medium of its commerce's gratitude. But if he the gobbler only knew, ah, me, would he then exclaim:

Ah, would that I'd been late fed a wild turkey
To roost on a sycamore tall,
Or better a mule turkey herded
That never is eaten at all.

R. K. MUNKITTRICK.

Thanksgiving Thoughts.

What a debt of gratitude do we owe the New England fathers for the creation of Thanksgiving day! The Pilgrims landed on Plymouth Rock in 1620, and celebrated their landing with prayers and hymns of thanksgiving for their safe deliverance from the dangers of the voyage. The noble sentiment of gratitude which filled their hearts on that bleak December morning gave birth to the New England Thanksgiving day, which since 1862 has become a national institution, designated by presidential proclamation, the time being generally fixed for it on the fourth Thursday in November.

It is an inspiring thought that this, our only religious national festival designated by the presidential proclamation, is a Thanksgiving day. For gratitude ever brings blessings to the possessors of grateful hearts.

We have other national festivals and other religious ones, made so by legal enactments, but Thanksgiving day is unique in being at once national, religious, legal and purely American—an emanation from the heart and soul of America.

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Winkle—How did you enjoy yourself at the Thanksgiving tea?

Nodd—Very much. It came right after dinner, and we weren't hungry.

Circumstances Alter Cases.

Briggs—I didn't think much of the minister's Thanksgiving sermon.

Griggs—You would if you had seen the size of the turkey his parishioners gave him.

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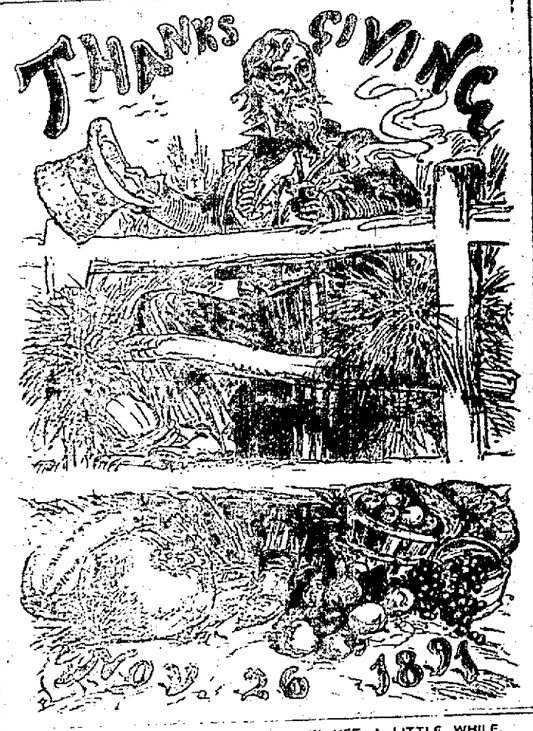

IN YET A LITTLE WHILE.

Soliloquized the turkey,
With a deep, deep frown:
"I don't think much of feathers
For a real swell gown,
But I'll have my fill of dressing
When the ax falls down."

A DOUBLE THANKSGIVING.

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THE last red and russet apples had been gathered, ready to be stowed away in bins, the last golden pumpkin had been laid on the pile, all the rest of the produce of the little farm was housed and the minister's family was ready to settle down to a season of rest and quiet after the labor of harvesting.

The farm lay on the outskirts of a pretty New England village, and the minister worked its acres six days in the week, and preached on the seventh. His salary was $200 a year and two donation parties, but Mr. Preston said that perhaps his preaching was about on a par with his pay, so he did not complain even when he thought of his seven daughters. They were all nearly grown into womanhood now, and three were somewhat advanced toward old maidhood. Their mother had been a Miss Apple, and she had died when the youngest daughter was little more than a baby.

The pastor, who was a man as full of quaint humor as he was of godliness, called his girls his apples, the baby and the next to her were called "blossoms," and the two eldest went by the names of Nubbins and Twist, while the three intermediate ones were called Russet, Pippin (or Pips more often) and Ciderkin.

No one ever thought it old or out of the way that the minister should call his daughters by these fanciful names, for it was quite in keeping with his quaint character, and the seven daughters had long forgotten they had any other titles.

Pretty these [illegible] had always been good housekeepers the five oldest [illegible] ed to be, and yet none of them had married, and only one had even had a beau.

Some fourteen years previous there had lived in this little place a handsome young man who worked out his apprenticeship at the glowing forge of the village blacksmith, and he had often been seen to offer those little attentions which spoke of his preference for Miss Preston, otherwise known as Nubbins, and she received them with sweet gravity, in nowise discouraging him, nor on the other hand encouraging him. But Walter Dewitt was poor, and worse, for his father had died a drunkard, after having broken his gentle wife's heart, and so the son not only had his own way to make in the world, but also to rise with the weight of his father's misdeeds on his shoulders. He did bravely, and the people around spoke of him as a likely young man.

As soon, or even sooner than the young couple became aware of their growing affection for each other, everybody in the village began to discuss the advisability of such a marriage, and had settled every point to his or her own satisfaction, and the decision was that Nubbins had better be cautious.

One lovely summer morning Nubbins was walking slowly along the meadow, keeping her watchful eyes upon the two blossoms, who were respectively two and four years old. She had brought them out here to play in the daisy spangled grass to give her sick mother a respite from their childish noise, and here she was when Walter came up to her, walking and looking as a man does when determined to do or die. He took her hand shyly, yet firmly, and said—but it doesn't matter as to his words. He asked her to marry him in his own fashion, and she answered "Yes" frankly, sincerely and without coquetry, with a world of tender joy in her tremulous voice and a great glory in her humid eyes.

Holding her hand in his tightly he said solemnly:

"May God make me worthy of so precious a gift. But, Nubbins, I have also come to say goodby. I am going to California—to the new gold mines, where I shall work at my trade, because workers are scarce there and wages high, and I think I shall do better at that than hunting for gold. As soon as I have made money enough I shall return for you if you are still willing, and we will then be married. You must not look so sad, for I shall probably not be away more than a couple of years. Now let us go, dear, and speak to your father and ask his consent."

Mr. Preston was shocked at first with the knowledge that his daughter was old enough to be sought in marriage, but he liked Walter and knew of his brave struggles against fate, and after a pause, during which he choked down his regrets, said: "Well, Walter, I am willing that you should have my daughter as soon as you can give her a home as good as this one."

Then they went to the invalid mother, who consented tearfully, for she loved this first born child tenderly, but she saw that Nubbins loved Walter.

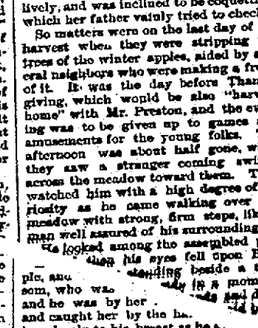
The old minister then laid his hand on Walter's shoulder and laughed:

"Ah! Walter, I married a rosy Apple and you are going to take up with a Nubbin."

"I prefer this Nubbin to all other girls, Mr. Preston, and I wouldn't change her or her name for millions."

So it was all settled, and Walter started on his journey, and Nubbins remained at home to keep his remembrance sweet in her heart after the manner of women.

It was six long months before a letter could reach her, and six more before she heard that he had started his little business, with good prospects. Then her mother died and she devoted herself to the care of the little ones and the general overseeing of their home. They managed to live decently on the products of their farm and the $900 in spite of the two donation parties.



SHE ANSWERED "YES."

And so things went on for six years. Walter wrote often, but the cost of living had been great, then he had been robbed, and he wrote that he feared she would tire of waiting for him, and begged her to be patient, and added that the hope of seeing her would nerve him to new efforts, and he ended his letters with protestations of love immeasurable.

No thought of deserting her lover had ever entered Nubbins' loyal mind, and her love grew and ripened and was fuller and deeper as she grew older and passed from girlhood to womanhood.

At last a year went by without news from Walter. Another year ran and length along and no letters, a third passed, and then his name was spoken in a hushed voice, as we speak of the dead, and other weary years dragged on, monotonous, heavy, freighted with an unaccepted sorrow, until at last it was fourteen years since Walter had left his promised wife.

Some said he had died. Nubbins could not accept his death as a fact. Some said he had married another. This roused her to anger, gentle as she usually was. Others again said, nodding their heads, that he had doubtless taken to drink like his father, and so had sunk so low he was ashamed to write. This she heard in pained silence, and only prayed in secret that it might not be true. Still he did not come, and she ceased writing.

Time was beginning to be generous enough to blanch the golden curls that clustered on Nubbins' forehead, and had stolen the delicate bloom of her manner, and added a quiet dignity to her manner, and she was now spoken of as the old Miss Preston, though she was but thirty-two. The other sisters followed in age with about two years between them, and the youngest was almost seventeen. Blossom they called her still. She was almost the counterpart of what Nubbins had been at that age, only she was more lively, and was inclined to be coquettish, which her father vainly tried to check.

So matters were on the last day of the harvest when they were stripping the trees of the winter apples, aided by several neighbors who were making a frolic of it. It was the day before Thanksgiving, which would be also "harvest home" with Mr. Preston, and the evening was to be given up to games and amusements for the young folks. The afternoon was about half gone, when they saw a stranger coming swiftly across the meadow toward them. They watched him with a high degree of curiosity as he came walking over the meadow with strong, firm steps, like a man well assured of his surroundings.

He looked among the assembled people, and then his eyes fell upon Blossom, standing beside a tree, and he was at her side in a moment, and caught her by the hands, and drew her closely to his breast as he asked only:

"Nubbins! my little wife! Forgive me this long silence, for I can explain it. Have you thought of me? You haven't changed a bit, while I have grown old and rough and gray. Why don't you speak?"

"In the first place, you gave me no chance with your great grizzly bear hug. In the next place, I am not Nubbins, but Blossom, and I think I have changed since you saw me last. So there, now! Nubbins is over there by that pile of baskets. I'll call her."

THE RETURN.

The first freshness of his joy had been given to Blossom, and it was with a bewildered sense of strangeness and change that Walter went to greet the cold, stately woman that stood before him, and the meeting was constrained and awkward. How could she meet him warmly when an icy hand had clutched her heart as she saw another mistaken for her?

Then Walter must tell his story and greet all his old friends and be introduced to new ones. He had been caught in a caving tunnel and his skull had been fractured. A little piece of bone had been forced into his brain, and the wound had apparently healed, but with its healing came a loss of memory which did not return for years. Not in fact till an ambitious new surgeon who performed an operation which resulted in a cure and the restoration of the lost faculty.

Then he went back to Murphy's camp, but there came no letter from Nubbins. Then his best friend died and left him a modest fortune, and with that Walter started at once for his home and Nubbins. Never for once did he think she would be otherwise than loyal, but he had feared she was dead. When his story was ended he said:

"Now, Mr. Preston, we have no apples in California yet, and I want you to give me the one you promised me so long ago, and we will start next month, Nubbins."

"I—you—Blossom—I have changed very much, Mr. De Witt, and grown old. You did not realize it, and now perhaps you had better think over it a little, I think," said poor Nubbins, whose tender heart had been bitterly wounded by his mistake."

"Do you mean that you are married, or that you care for some one else?" asked he, hoarsely.

"No, not that," faltered she.

"Well, then, what is it? You cannot love me, now that I have grown old and gray."

"No, it is I who have grown old and"—

"Is that it? Thank God that you have, else how could I dare—why, what would I do with you if you were a child like Blossom there? I prefer my Nubbins to all the blossoms or handsomest apple in anybody's orchard. Now, give me one kiss, my dear; just to show me I'm awake, and we'll be married tomorrow, Thanksgiving day."

The kiss settled it, and the wedding did take place the next morning in church, after the service, where Mr. Preston gave thanks for everything, and afterward they all went to dinner.

Strange to say, in less than one year from then Mr. Preston had seen all his girls led away as brides.

And Nubbins grew prettier and rosier than she had ever been, with her sweet dignity added to her youthful bloom, and "her husband praised her."

OLIVE HARPER.

HIS THANKSGIVING.

"Well, I suppose you have something to be thankful for, haven't you?" said the kind lady as she passed out a generous slice of Thanksgiving turkey to the tramp.

"Yes, indeed, ma'am," he replied, a peaceful gleam lighting up his eye. "It [illegible] hunger or your ever-[illegible] that away," said Hannah with another biting laugh. "Your ideas and election's sure so far as that goes, Joel. I guess you'd have helped me and the children some when we was left so poor by off if it hadn't been for your principles; and you see, Joel, what a splendid success we've made of keeping ourselves. I know you're a man who wouldn't put your hand in your pocket for nothing in this world if you thought it was going to make people busy and shiftless."

Joel turned a pale sea green color and set his thin lips together in a straight line. His sister-in-law knew the sensitive, exposed places in his armor and was skilful in shooting her bitter arrows. He turned uneasily and shuffled away toward his milk cart, but Hannah was close behind him like a visible Nemesis in a faded brown calico gown. It was a great relief to her overwrought nerves to unburden her mind to Joel Fearing.

"You know," she went on, as she followed him toward the cart, raising her voice a little, "that was what ailed your brother Amos; he was too generous and open handed and he went against his own interests, and you always can see what Amos and thought so poorly of him it would have been a sin for you to help his widow in her straits, you know it would. And after poor Amos died synchronous. At the word of command [illegible] takes a certain aisle and [illegible] to designated seats. All about in [illegible] are more people with [illegible] touch of the electric [illegible] entrance class. Six [illegible] have their [illegible] guards armed with rev[illegible] station there.

The bushy whiskered man motioned his companions on the platform. A lady seats herself at the organ, the others cluster about her, and in a moment the room is filled with melody. Patriotic songs follow old fashioned hymns. Then the village pastor sends up a petition to heaven on behalf of those assembled, and follows his prayer with a short address, touching in its tenderness and appeal. Again the bushy whiskered man comes into prominence. He stands by the desk and says:

"Men, since I have been warden of this prison I have never known a twelve-month in which greater order and good discipline have prevailed than in the one just ended. I wish to show that I appreciate your obedience. After dinner the remainder of the day is yours. You will be allowed to walk and sing as much as you like, and each corridor in succession will be granted the freedom of the yards for exercise. Guard 12, direct convict [illegible] to step this way."

At the order a man still young, but with ineffable sadness on his face, walked to the front. He stands silently before the warden who continues:

"I think you all know and like this man. He has nursed you in sickness, advised you against foolish outbreaks, and, although never a talebearer or spy, has greatly aided the keepers and myself in elevating the tone of the prison and in rendering somewhat tolerable the restraint the law has placed upon you. James Wharton," he went on, turning to the man before him, "your are sentenced to [illegible] 1,128; you are now a free citizen of the United States, with all your rights restored. The governor has granted you a full pardon; your wife, mother and children wait for you in the office; the big farm wagon is outside the wall gates, and this afternoon you may eat your dinner in the old country house where you were born."

The assembly seemed as near applauding as it dares, the organ rattles up "Praise God from whom all blessings flow," and James Wharton falls fainting to the floor.

FRED C. BAYNES.

—Do not suppose that because it is recommended for asthma that Arnica & Oil Liniment is an asthma cure. It is not. It will not check asthma or any disease else.

Hannah Fearing's Partner.

By ANNURA LANNIER.

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CHAPTER I.

"I don't believe in doin' that kind of thing for folks," said he.

"I must say, Hannah, I think you're going again your own interest in keeping that old man; there isn't any call that I can see. He ain't your kin nor Miss—no kind of a blood relation. You're not morally obligated, and I wouldn't think of keeping him."

The speaker was a tall, thin man, whose homespun clothes hung loosely on his badly jointed frame. His cheeks were hollow and freckled, and his pale blue eye was as cold as a January moon, and as stary. He raised his sharp chin, studded with a rough red growth, with his hand, meager, yellow hand. Although he was still a comparatively young man, he stooped like an old one, and his shoulders were contracted almost to the point of deformity.

"I know you wouldn't think of keeping him, Joel," said the woman addressed as Hannah, a trim, small, bright appearing person, with humorous lines running away from the corners of her mouth and a dark, thin face furrowed with care and trouble and much hard labor. "The age of miracles is over, so folks say," and she broke into a sarcastic laugh that showed several deficiencies in her naturally good set of teeth.

She was standing by Joel's wagon with her apron thrown over her head, for the early spring was still inclement, and a pitcher in her hand. Joel, who was her brother-in-law, paddled milk through the town, though he was a rich farmer and owned no occasion for his following a [illegible] calling. Mrs. Fearing paid for the highest market price for her daily supply.

He had never given her a drop of the fluid except on one occasion, in very warm weather, when the milk had soured on his hands in a thunder storm and he did not care to carry it home. Now he gave her a venomous glance from under his heavy red eyelids, puckered and folded in curious fashion and denuded of lashes; neither had he any visible eyebrows, which imparted to his cold eyes a curious dazed stare.

"I don't believe in doin' that kind of thing for folks," said he, after a moment's pause. "It generally hurts 'em. 'Taint the kind of thing that's needed to spur 'em up and make 'em do for themselves."

"Well, I suppose you have something to be thankful for, haven't you?" said the kind lady as she passed out a generous slice of Thanksgiving turkey to the tramp.

"Yes, indeed, ma'am," he replied, a peaceful gleam lighting up his eye. "It offered me work."

BEHIND STONE WALLS.

A Gleam of Sunshine That Crept in on Thanksgiving Morn.

A great room filled with plain benches; a platform on which there is a desk and a parlor organ; light streaming in from queer barred windows far up the white-washed walls; an air of repression even in the solitary fly buzzing about; a silence almost visible filling the whole space.

A door near the platform opens and a bushy whiskered man enters. He [illegible] up the steps to seats back of the organ and desk a number of ladies and gentlemen. He carries a heavy cane which he grips tightly as he returns to the door where four stalwart fellows also armed with canes are ranged. He asks them

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The appointment of Capt. Morrison as assistant of the Treasury by State Treasurer Boyer is certainly a very creditable act on the part of the latter gentleman

The counties of Erie, Warren and McKean were the only three Republican counties which gave a majority in favor of a Constitutional Convention Digest Democratic counties followed suit.

Hon A. MARTIN, Chairman of the Republican State Committee represented Pennsylvania at the meeting of the National Committee held in Washington on Monday and Tuesday in this week

JAMES S. CLARKSON who is remembered as Assistant of the Republican National committee in charge of Hon M Lowry's campaign, is the right man in the right place. He is one of the most accomplished political organizers in this country.

The New York Herald and Argonaut assert, however, that Chairman Jones's Indiana fund has cost only five thousand dollars instead of the sum supposed, by the Republicans, to be contributed—$250,000 to $300,000 claimed by Democrats. It all goes to show the power of the rich corporations and banks which are behind the Republican party, and that a lady member of his family contributed $250,000 to it.

Gov PATTISON announced the following appointments on Tuesday: Secretary of Internal Affairs, Thomas J Kennedy of Philadelphia; Superintendent of Banking, Charles J Kershaw of Philadelphia; Benjamin F Ogilvie of Philadelphia, to be Director of the National Guards; W H H Davis, of Bucks, to be a Member of the Geological and Survey and Mines Board, of Philadelphia, to be Health Officer of the City and Port of Philadelphia.

THE Republican National Committee has, as a matter held in Washington on Tuesday of this week, decided to hold the National Convention in the city of Minneapolis on the 7th day of June, 1882. Minneapolis is one of the rising young cities of this country and its hotel accommodations are unsurpassed. The Republicans will visit the twin cities of Minneapolis and St Paul on the 7th of June next

A committee five consisting of James Brown W Y and 2 others in the morning of Monday of this week by the to attendance of the old Homestead hotel in This Forest and the burning to death of three human beings and a little boy a son of one of the women who was burned. One of the unfortunate was Maggie Wilson whose parents live on East Hill in this city. She had been engaged as a winter girl at the hotel for only a few months

The Troy Gazette Republican says that business is making itself felt in Rockford till the power looms in charge of this necessary social keep their factories running day and night a portion of the time. Now they never yet they run in the year round, and prices of factories are 30 per cent. lower than they were before the panic. The reports from Savannah N Y in that the factories there are found really expanding their operations. Their greatest trouble is to find enough skilled workmen to meet the requirements of their constantly increased trade

The official vote of Pennsylvania at the late election as filed in the State Department at Harrisburg gives Hon George Lawrence Republican candidate for Lieutenant Governor 444 853 votes and Robert E. Wright, Democratic candidate 396 431 a plurality for Gen Geary of 48, 422. For State Treasurer, Capt Jno N Morrison, Republican candidate had 442,886 votes and A. J. Tilden, Democratic candidate 388,417 a plurality for Capt Morrison of 54 336 The Prohibitionists vote, W W Rogers for Auditor General, was 18,451, and for Gen Drayton for State Treasurer 18, 913. The aggregate vote on the Constitutional Convent on was 826, 854, and the majority against it was 344,333.

JUSTICE WILLIAM M CLARK of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court died at his home in Indiana on Friday evening of last week, at 3 1/2 o'clock, in the 58th year of his age. He was a member of the Constitutional Convention of 1873 and was elected a Justice of the Supreme Court on the Democratic ticket in 1878. As a lawyer he stood high in his profession, and was considered one of the ablest Judges of that highest judicial tribunal. Our Pittsburg will fill the vacancy created, and about fifty applicants are already clamoring for the position. Whoever is appointed will serve until the first of January, 1882, after which a Republican will fill the vacancy on the Supreme bench, created by the death of Judge Clark.

WALTER BESANT'S London paper in the Christmas number of *Harper's Magazine* will be the most interesting chapter of the series yet published. Looking twenty-five hundred years, more or less, backward, he describes "A Night in Tudor London," in which he rambles with old John Stow, the antiquary, near the close of Elizabeth's reign. They visit all the prominent localities of the city; observe the manners, the customs, the amusements of the people, attend an afternoon with Shakespeare at the old Globe Theatre, and in the evening take part in a convivial meeting at the Falcon Inn, where many of the great wits of the time have assembled. The paper will be amply illustrated from drawings after photographs taken in London.

FROM THE STATE CAPITAL.

From our own correspondent.

HARRISBURG, Pa., November 22—A visit to the State Department reveals little of interest, outside of the routine of official business.

There is, however, a feeling of sad disappointment still visible, and even expressed, at the result of the recent elections and at this late date after the election, wonder and surprise is expressed at the overwhelming defeat of the Pattison Harrity aggregation.

Mr Tilden, the farmer (?) candidate of the democracy for State Treasurer, has settled down to good, earnest work and by close application he expects to catch up with office duty, which had laid idle during the campaign, before many days.

A few days ago the Auditor General made up the bill of expenses of the Pattison extraordinary session of the Senate and the amount reached to within a few dollars of $60,000

This was an expensive playing for a campaign toy but the Governor deemed it necessary and the people will be called upon to pay the bill, which I presume will be charged to Democratic campaign expenses.

Treasurer Boyer did a very graceful act a few days ago when he offered the vacant cashiership of the Treasury to Mr Morrison the Treasurer elect. Mr Morrison has accepted, it will give him a very good chance to thoroughly familiarize himself with the duties of the office to which the people have called him by such a handsome vote and which office he will take charge of as Chief on the first Monday of the coming May

All interest, politically is now centered in Washington D C where the National Republican Committee will meet today and decide when and where the next National Convention will meet

There is quite a lively scramble for the place of holding the Convention and delegations from the far West North West, East and North East have during the past week passed through Harrisburg Washington bound to urge their respective claims before the committee Taking the opinion as expressed in the Republican Press of the Country it is not improbable that for the first time in the history of the Republican party, the Convention may be called to meet at some place West of the Mississippi River and Omaha it is thought will capture the prize New York, Pittsburg, Minneapolis, San Francisco and even Camden New Jersey have delegations in Washington to induce the National Committee to favor their respective cities as the place but as the majority of the places named are at either extreme of the United States and away from railroad centres it is more than likely that some point more central to all sections will be selected

The great State of Pennsylvania is without representation on the National Committee because of the resignation of Senator Quay and one of the first duties that the Committee will be called upon to perform is the filling of the vacancy occasioned by Senator Quay's resignation

For some time past it has been the general rumor that Mr. W H Ashrow, central Committee, would fill heir to the place nearly vacant and despatches from Washington indicate that Mr Andrews will be called upon to fill the vacancy And right here Pennsylvania ought to stick a pin

Not a very great while ago this State underwent the methods that were put into practice by certain political leaders and most emphatically said we disapprove such tactics' and one of the managers who was largely responsible for this adverse verdict is the one that it is now proposed to put on the National Committee as the representative of Pennsylvania.

The voters of Pennsylvania have on more than one occasion spoken on this subject and it seems like tempting fate too far to bestow this honor on Mr Andrews now

There are other good and tried men in the Republican ranks of the Keystone State upon whose shoulders the honors would fit gracefully far more than upon the shoulders of Mr Andrews and to such the place ought to be given We deem the good of the Republican party of more importance than gratifying Mr Andrews in this

General Hastings is a clean, good acceptable man and to him should be offered the vacant chair of Pennsylvania on the National committee

In doing this the Committee will honor itself and as well honor one of Pennsylvania's favorite Sons who will be a credit to the party and a valuable addition to the membership of the Committee ALCOTT

SWEDEN AND NORWAY

The report that Norway proposes to insist on a separate diplomatic representation abroad is the cause of a struggle that can hardly terminate short of a trial of force between two kindred nations that have been united for three quarters of a century It has never been a union of hearts. Although of the same Norse race, the Swedish and Norwegians feel toward each other very much as the Lowland Scotch and the English felt a hundred years ago

Norway was for centuries subject to Denmark and shared on the Danish side in the various struggles between that country and the Swedes. The Danes and Norwegians became one people in sentiment and attachment, and when, in the readjustment of Europe which followed the downfall of Napoleon, Norway was placed with a separate constitution under the Swedish king the old Danish association and the old hatred of Sweden were not eliminated. The Norwegians remained intensely jealous of their independence, and that jealousy has grown instead of softening with years. The present agitation, which only stops short of a demand for a Norwegian ruler, is the culmination of a prolonged popular protest against the treaty of 1814.

The Norwegians are intensely Democratic in sentiment. They abolished titular nobility in 1821, and in this respect Norway is in advance of any monarchy in Europe and even of Republican France. The people are Democratic in their ways and methods of living, and even wealth does not en-

Notice in Divorce.

In the Court of Common Pleas of McKean County, Pa. No. 87, June Term, 1880.

To Hannah Conover, of the County of McKean, Pa., and Louisa Benson, by her next friend, Mary A. Smith, Greeting: You are hereby notified to be and appear in our said Court of Common Pleas to be held at Smethport, in and for the County of McKean, on the 4th Monday of December, A. D. 1880, then and there to answer the petition or libel of Andrew Benson, that he may be divorced from the bonds of matrimony contracted with you the said Andrew Benson.

And you Hannah Conover are hereby notified that if you shall neglect to appear as aforesaid, the said Andrew Benson may apply to the said Court for the Decree of Divorce prayed for in his petition or libel.

And you Louisa Benson are hereby notified that if you shall neglect to appear as aforesaid, the said Andrew Benson may apply to the said Court for the Decree of Divorce prayed for in his petition or libel.

And you Mary A. Smith are hereby notified that if you shall neglect to appear as aforesaid, the said Andrew Benson may apply to the said Court for the Decree of Divorce prayed for in his petition or libel.

And you Hannah Conover, Louisa Benson and

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...ening of Uncle Isaac," who will ... opera house, Dec 3d, the St. ... ...publics says, "The funny way ... Uncle Isaac are received with ... ...ce in the audiences being constantly ... paroxysms of laughter."

...ner held at the residence of Mr. ... Wednesday evening was a delightful ... and may add a social success. The ... ...ported by Margaret Sockey are ... ...pressed on their minds by ... ...ese occasions enjoyable.

...ices on the M. E. Church ... ...ere supplied by the regular services ... ...ld on Sunday next. The sub... ...ld on Sunday evening service will be ... ...ings of the World as it is." The ... ...ev. E. E. Helms will off late

...M. Hide is giving Smethport what ... ...has long wished, namely a first-class ... ...Everything is of the best, ...ce neat, quiet and clean and everybody ... ...treated with courtesy We know ... ...of we speak, for we've been there.

...unusual rush of job work to... ...with a press of legal and other ... ...ding matter has somewhat delayed ... MINER this week and forced us to ... ...out much interesting matter including ... correspondence. Next week we will ... in hand as usual.

...Intermediate Exhibition has issued the ... ...dings of the late Teachers Institute ... convenient pamphlet form. The ... also contains the essays read during ... sessions, together with a number of ... ...ements. This is the first of the ... ...ts issued in this county

With the advent of the firm of ... & Ritchie many innovations have been added, the latest being the introduction of the Fuller cash carrier system. This is a move in the right direction and gives their store the air of a first-class metropolitan mercantile establishment.

W. W. Ball & Sons, of Olean, N. Y., and [illegible], Nov 14, to Mr and Mrs. Geo. B. Hanks and Mr and Mrs. Jacob Bowman of Cowpornia, Pa., who left on the 15th for Tacoma, Washington, via popular Sunshine Pacific Ry Anyone wishing to travel would do well to write W. W. Ball & Sons for low rates.

The ... supper given by the ladies of All Saints Chapel, at East Smethport Tuesday evening, was very successful. A party of young people from Smethport, helped to augment the awful disappearance of the social carved creature, "carved cucumbers, "crystal clear," etc., and materially aided in making the affair enjoyable

Interesting Thanksgiving services were held in the Episcopal and Baptist Churches. Rev J. H. McCandless delivered an appropriate and able sermon at St. Luke's and Rev Helms, pastor of the Methodist church, preached one of the most interesting sermons ever heard in Smethport at union services in the Baptist church.

—The very latest rumor concerning the recent business "riffles" is to the effect that E. R. Dolley will erect a two story brick business block on the site now occupied by the Dolley store on Mill street. Mr. Dolley would perpetuate his name by doing so. He has the collateral and the investment ought to be a paying one —*Reporter.*

—A car load of Granite and Marble monuments has just been distributed in cemeteries in this vicinity by Foley Bros. the well known dealers of Olean, N. Y. A handsome one placed in the Colegrove cemetery by family of Wm. Heinemann. This monument stands 10 feet high and is of Swedish Granite from the celebrated quarries in Sweden. This is the first one of this stock erected in McKean Co. Other monuments have been placed on the lots of Thos. Haugerford, Mr W. J. Hussey, Mrs. L. E. Bush, and Mrs. Jas. McIlvaine.

—If a man will let his children be idle, he should not wonder that they get into mischief, and do something to disgrace him before they get through. All are men who ever amounted to anything had to work almost as soon as they could walk. If idle out ten of the boys and girls of twelve or fifteen years and to end up the work they do through the day, it would not be out to more than two hours at the most. The rest of the day is spent in idleness, and idleness is the foundation of trouble

—The editor of the period, recumbent on a full, proud stomach, gives himself up to the dreams of the Thanksgiving days of his boyhood. Then perchance, he may recall his paternal ancestor with a wild boar's head on a hard reach for the old family flint lock with the other and knock over a red-eyed swinging apple-jack from the parlor window. And he of to-day recalls members that such little episodes were essential, in the days of the pale keg to give the parson and the other guests sufficient excitement to digest their turkey

—A dispatch from Olean dated Nov 19 says that of the large transactions in Pennsylvania in lumber and coal lands that has lately occurred none culminated in this city yesterday. It was the sale of 10,000 acres in Pike county owned principally by S. S. Bullis and J. C. French of this city to J. J. Backer of Boston and C. A. Bassett of Smethport. The buyers of Ridgway Pa. The tract is remarkable rich in timber, coal and gas and is one of the most valuable in Pennsylvania.

Lovers of refined entertainment should keep in mind the reading of the Boston Lyceum Concert Company, on December 10th. The expense attending their appearance here is very large while the price of admission has been fixed within the reach of all. 35 and 50 cents—which should insure a full house. The company is one of the best traveling every member being an artist of wide reputation. The Knights of St. John and Malta under who so auspices they will appear are to be commended for affording our people this rich feast.

—The Cameron Iron and Coal Company's property was sold to Pittsburgh last Wednesday on a mortgage, to Fred erick P. Scott chairman of Reorganization Committee Cameron Iron Company. Mr Olcott is President of the New York Central Trust Company. We have not learned what operations in the works will be resumed but we are informed that the new company is composed of practical business men with an abundance of capital and the enterprise will hereafter be conducted on solid business principles.—*Emporium Press*

The rumor that Warren Jr. is to have a new Postmaster in the person of W. S. Mitchell was circulated about town last Monday morning and was received with different degrees of dislike and pleasure The Mugs were mad 19 Republicans glad and the Democrats smile serenely over their funeral. We learn that Post master Low sent in his resignation on Tuesday of last week, Nov 10 that on Greenman Block has named Mr Mitchell as his successor and that the appointment will be made public this week Mr Love has been ill for nearly a year and unable to be at the office which is in charge of Deputy J. H. Miller, who is very efficient.—*Mail*

—In a recent order of Commander-in chief Palmer of the G. A. R. he has this to say about suspended members. The Commander in Chief observes with great regret that the number of suspended members is so large in fact much too large The Commander in Chief has no authority in the matter but desires to remind the comrades that suspension deprives members of moral and practical aid in times when they may need it most and he recommends that until subordinate legislation can be had each post appoint a committee to examine into the circumstances of member in arrears carefully and thoroughly and that upon a favorable report of this committee the post remit the dues unpaid or all except so much thereof as may be needed to pay the per capita tax.

—The following from the Bradford *Sunday News* may be true to a certain extent but we think the statement is rather highly painted The Pittsburg and Western narrow gauge railroad running between Ormsby Junction and Kane, is one of the most dangerous roads in this section The road is owned by the Kane estate and leased by the Pittsburg and Western railroad The railroad bridge at Mt Jewett is liable to tumble down any time a train is passing over it. The bridge has been condemned by the Pittsburgh & Western people, and Mr Kane has been notified of the fact, but refuses to do anything, and in case an accident should occur on this bridge in which passengers were injured or killed the question very naturally would arise, who is responsible?"

St. Luke's Church

Service on Advent Sunday, Nov 29th, at 10 and 10:30 a. m., and at 7:30 p. m. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Services at All Saint's Chapel, East Smethport, at 3:30 p. m., Sunday School at 3 p. m.

Happy and content is a home with "The Rochester," a lamp with the light of the morning. *For catalogue, write Rochester Lamp Co. New York.*

—The finest assortment of Hanging and Stand Lamps to be found in Smethport at Sprague's Hardware store, and are going at prices astonishing to all.

A Mystery Explained.

The papers contain frequent notices of rich, pretty and educated girls eloping with negroes, tramps and coachmen. The well-known specialist, Dr. Frank Ira Miles, says all such girls are more or less hysterical, nervous, very impressible, unbalanced generally subject to headache, neuralgia, sleeplessness, insomnia, crying or laughing. These show a weak nervous system for which there is no remedy equal to Restorative Nervine. Trial bottles and a fine book, containing many marvelous cures, free at A. B. Armstrong's, who takes sole and guarantees Dr. Miles' celebrated New Heart Cure, the finest of heart tonics. Cures flatulence, short breath, etc.

Diamond Medals.

Cross of the finest grade, displayed and awarded at Sweet's Jewelry Store, Bradford, Pa.

THE COUNTY.

Interesting News From Various Localities Gathered up by Our Regular Correspondents.

PORT ALLEGANY.

A. J. Hughes, of Port Allegany, was in town on Tuesday.

Miss Hattie Peirce spent Sunday last with friends in Bradford.

Sheridan Gorton, Esq., made a business trip to Bradford Monday last.

L. Rogers and wife of Kiantone visited Buffalo and Rochester last week.

C. W. Cattle, Esq., of Port Allegany was at the county seat Tuesday.

Mrs C. A. Burdick returned Monday evening from a visit with Harrisburg friends.

Mrs. Howard Merrill of Geneva, is visiting at the residence of her father, Judge Hamlin.

Mrs. F. C. Pierce left Thursday morning for a two weeks visit with friends in Buffalo.

O. E. Ley and Elisha A. Kane, two of Kane's representative citizens, were in town Tuesday

Miss Sadie Tyler of Sackett's Harbor N. Y. is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. L. Rogers of Knox street.

Prof. S. Mills has been reengaged as instructor of the Smethport band, and will again locate in this place

Wm. Moses who has been spending the summer with relatives in Smethport, returned to Nebraska last week

Mrs. Hilda Theetga who has been visiting friends here the last two weeks, has accepted a situation in Bradford

Mrs. James Metcalfe and daughter Edith, who have been visiting friends in Buffalo, returned home Tuesday

We are glad to observe that W. J. Cosgrove, Esq. of Shag street is rapidly recovering from the effects of its late accident

J. J. Chadsey, who has been absent on an extended professional trip, returned home Wednesday and is again ready for business

Dr. F. W. Pierce and wife were the guests of their son Dr. C. Pierce Jr. of the week, eating for Buffalo Tuesday afternoon

Miss Hattie Reddell who is attending the Margaretta Seminary Buffalo, is visiting a few days at the residence of her grandfather Hon Byron D. Hamlin

Mr Orin Hamlin who is attending Hobart College Geneva, came home Wednesday evening to enjoy the roof tree Thanksgiving dinner

F. W. Brownell who has been suffering for several years with a form of eczema, went to Buffalo last Friday to consult a specialist. He reports an encouraging diagnosis

Charles Hanlon and sister Nellie and George Acuet and sister Jennie of Rushville, spent Saturday and Sunday in town the guests of Mr and Mrs H. I. Hurlingame

Thereby Hangs a Tale.

"And he from home to home we ripe and ripe
And then from home to home we rot and rot,
And thereby hangs a tale."

And truly "a tale of woe" of one who had catarrh in the head, for many years and who had really been roaming from house to house until Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy came to his notice. He used it at first with slight signs of relief but he persisted until a permanent cure was effected and the world was again pleasant to live in. From his awful suffering he was set free by the expenditure of a few dollars in that incomparable remedy

Dental and Section of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company's system.

These tours to California under the Pennsylvania Railroad Company's personally conducted tourist system have each received liberal patronage. The routes traversed are very diversified and interesting. Over the Pittsburgh Limited to the Missouri River, thence by the Missouri Pacific Limited through Kansas City Las Vegas Hot Springs, and Santa Fe.

Returning, after six weeks in California, via Sacramento, Salt Lake (Lakewood Springs Leadville side trip over Marshall Pass), Colorado Springs, Manitou, Denver Omaha and Chicago.

Rate from Philadelphia, $300

The second tour leaves February 16th, going via Cincinnati, Mammoth Cave, Montgomery, Mobile New Orleans, Shreveport, Galveston, Houston, San Antonio, and El Paso.

Returning after four weeks in California, via route of first tour

Rate from Philadelphia, $335

The third tour leaves March 24th going via St. Louis, Kansas City, Denver Colorado Springs, Manitou, side trip over Marshall Pass, Glenwood Springs, and Salt Lake City.

Returning after four weeks in California, via Ogden, Portland, Tacoma, Seattle, Spokane, Minneapolis, St. Paul, and Chicago.

Rates from Philadelphia, $330

The fourth tour April 20 will run west via Chicago, Denver Colorado Springs, Manitou side trip over Marshall Pass, Glenwood Springs, and Salt Lake City Tourist will return independently within six months.

Rates from Philadelphia, $225 via Portland, $255, additional

The rates fixed for the first three tours cover every necessary expense en route in both directions, including hotel accommodation and several carriage rides, and trains for all side trips in California, while rate for fourth tour covers every necessary expense as above, west bound only all side trips in California, and trains only returning via route selected. This particular tour is designed to accommodate those who desire to visit the Yosemite Valley and Yellowstone Park prior to their return to the East.

List of Letters

Remaining in the postoffice at Smethport Pa. for the week ending Nov 21

Burnside, James, Dillman, A. Evans Frank Hegland, J. McLeord, O. V. Vinks, Davis, Williams, G. W.

Persons calling for these letters, please say advertised and give date

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Not a Miracle, Now

Until recently consumption was considered incurable, but now people are beginning to realize that the disease is not a miracle, now Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery will cure it, if taken in time and given a fair trial. This world renowned remedy will not make new lungs, but it will restore diseased ones to a healthy state when other means have failed. Thousands gratefully testify to this. It is the most potent tonic, or strength restorer, alterative, or blood-cleanser, and nutritive, or flesh builder, known to medical science. For weak lungs, spitting of blood, "liver complaint," and dyspepsia, or indigestion, it is an unequaled remedy.

—Most everybody will need silverware for Christmas and New Years presents, so don't buy until you have called at Sprague's and examined his goods. If you look closely you will certainly discover a very great difference in the finish of the goods he sells and those handled by other dealers.

—Tick, tick, tick, French and American Clocks, at Sweet's Jewelry Store, Bradford, Pa.

Mosquitoes.

We desire to say to our citizens, that for years we have been selling Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Dr. King's New Life Pills, Bucklen's Arnica Salve and Electric Bitters, and have never handled remedies that sell as well, or that have given such universal satisfaction. We do not hesitate to guarantee them every time, and we stand ready to refund the purchase price, if satisfactory results do not follow their use. These remedies have won their great popularity purely on their merits. F. E. Foster, Druggist.

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Items of Interest Gathered from Various Sources by the Man with the Shears.

—Downs' Elixir will cure any cough or cold, no matter of how long standing.

—Gold Watches, Gold Watches, great selection. Finest made at Stewart's Jewelry Store, Bradford, Pa

—For fine tobacco, cigars, etc., go to Emil Thalheim's. Fine stock and low prices.

—A. L. Peirce is serving fresh New York oysters in every style. Families supplied.

—Peerless and Peerless Count oysters by the quart or can at S. H. Riffle's. Families supplied.

—The latest styles out in Silver Souvenir Spoons, Charter Oak and Mascot, at Sprague's. Every piece of silver warranted

—Cortland county creamery butter can be found at J. H. Stull's meat market East Smethport, Pa.

—The finest stock of robes, blankets, etc., in this section, at Gleason & Lemmler's, and prices are down to rock bottom Don't fail to call and examine before purchasing elsewhere

—Brick Bros-Stewart's Jewelry Store, Bradford, Pa.

—Sleigh bells and childrens sleds at Sprague's, also a large assortment of skates to all sizes which will be sold at cost

—I have a good work horse 10 years old which I will sell cheap for cash, or will trade for stock or colt, or will take feed or hay I also have a good cow which I will sell for $18. Call on or address J. S. Sherwood, Eldred Pa

—The history of Downs Elixir is identified with the history of New England for the last fifty years. It cures coughs and colds For sale by H. L. McCoy and A. B. Armstrong

—Clumsiness is the cause of the intolerable bad breath of multitudes Dr. Henry Baxter's Mandrake Bitters fix more than cause and prevent the evil and cost 25 cent. For sale by H. L. McCoy and A. B. Armstrong

—RHEUMATISM CURED IN A DAY.—Mystic Cure For Rheumatism and Neuralgia is remarkable in the rapidity with which it removes at once the cause and in the disease immediately disappears The first dose greatly benefits Sold by A. B. Armstrong Smethport

—Farmers and others who have a few acres and a little capital and desire to engage in a profitable business that will secure positive success from start to finish should address Box 1 Smethport Pa

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Smethport, Pa., Nov 20, 1891.

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Nov 18th, 1891

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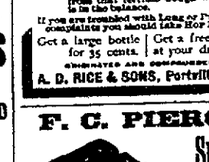

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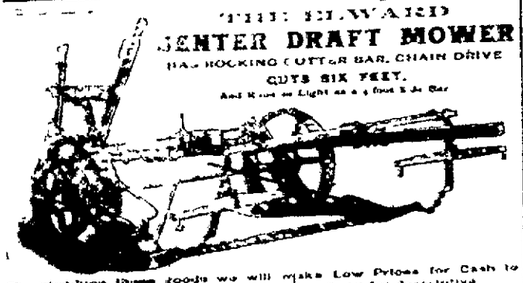

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Hannah Poering's Portion.

and frocks and slips. It was Mrs. Price's first, and, as everybody knows, the first always gets more ruffles and frills and puffs and fine embroidery than those that come later.

But Hannah let her front get overheated as she stood there with the dry sobs suddenly shaking her breast and her brown, downy head clinched on the edge of the table All the past had come rolling upon her like a torrent, and it would have way, for in a nature like Hannah's there are crises like sudden thunder showers that clear the air, and when they had passed the bright sun shone, the heavens were blue overhead, and she put forth those great strokes of work for which she was famous among her neighbors. Every menace was tenderness and strength to the utmost, and her shirts sounded like the breezes in a sail as she passed back and forth from the stove to the ironing table, and laid out the dainty white things on the clothes frames smelling of new grass and sweet like the breath of country clover

But an encounter with Joel generally did stir up the bitter waters in Hannah's soul. It took her back to the time after Anson's death when her brother-in-law put in his heavy claim for debt and she had signed away her rights, though she felt morally sure the claim had been paid, but with her confused head and all the dull stupid grief that weighed upon her from the suddenness of the blow she could never clearly remember what Anson had had her about the note, and the acknowledgment of payment and all the other papers had strangely disappeared. She had lain awake nights trying in vain to catch up the floating threads of memory and it was in her dazed, hopeless state that she had signed a release to her claim on the old farm. Then the anguish all came back of the time when she first knew that her little home in Littlefield was mortgaged up to its full value and must be sold on a foreclosure sale, and she and her two children would be turned into the street. She had humbled herself and gone on her knees to Joel, but he had refused to help her

He had called Anson improvident and careless about his affairs and said he had no ready money to throw after that which his brother had already squandered He had had dealings with Anson and had not come out unscathed in his transactions with his brother so he said as he looked on his sister in-law's distress with cold, unsympathetic eye. She was the kind of a woman he hated, and partly too he feared her for the sharpness of her sarcasm could always put to flight his wits and make him play a sorry part. So he buttoned his long pockets and determined as he profanely said to let Providence take its course If his sister in law came to eat grass, after the manner of a wicked king of old would it not be a just punishment for her pride and stubborn independence of character, her putting away of good counsel and refusal to look up to those better and wiser than herself?

But poor Hannah was not brought down to eat the grass of the field as a special warning to an obdurate and stiff necked generation It happened in that terribly cold week after her husband's funeral when she sat dumb and stricken with her children gathered close under her wing by the scant fire in her kitchen stove that help had come heaven sent as Hannah ever after believed for she too, was religious, but in a different way from Joel Anson a friend and employer Hiram Rand in whose mill he had been foreman for many years had paid off the mortgage on her home and had brought it to her as a free gift in his simple and fashion As if it were an everyday occurrence and worthy of no special thanks. Mr Rand was a quiet man never known to get excited about anything except rare old books of which he was very fond and possessed a precious store.

But he had his own superstitious ways of finding out the needs of others and of doing good and after Fearing's sad end death he had inquired carefully into the widow's circumstances and the result of the inquiry was that he had without saying a word to anyone gone and paid off the mortgage on the widow's little home and practically made her a present of $2 500 When Hannah tried in vain to express her thanks and her conception of the magnitude of the present she had received, he begged her not to excite herself Mr Rand hated to be the cause of excitement in anybody on less it broke out over some rare old black letter volume He intimated that in his judgment Anson had earned the sum over and above the salary he had received in his service and he was only paying a just debt. Then he took up his hat and went out closing the door softly behind him. He was a man of few words except on his own particular hobbies and on them he would talk endlessly

Now Hannah, the moment Mr Rand left the house dropped on her knees on the kitchen floor and with the tears streaming from her eyes uttered such a prayer of praise and thanksgiving to God for children could never forget it to their dying day From that moment everything was changed. The name of Hiram Rand became a sacred name in that humble little home. She taught her children to reverence and look up to it as to a guiding star Her home secure, Hannah drank at once from deep wells of strength and inspiration. She felt equal to strenuous labor to rear and educate her children The ambition of noble mothers surged in her to give them the instruction she had never received in her poor, neglected childhood She lived by sewing and taking in washing, and it was nothing to Hannah to rise at four and to go to bed at midnight that her children might be kept at school.

But strange, unlooked for changes have occurred within the eight years since Anson died. Hiram Rand who was then the richest man in Littlefield, having inherited a fine fortune from an uncle and a flourishing business from his father was now one of the poorest. Sometimes, with a quiet gleam of real humor, he said to his friend Dr Hoskin's that he possessed nothing but what he had given away While he sat quietly in his library gloating over his Elzevirs and Aldines, noble first editions in precious bindings, his fortune, in the hands of unscrupulous agents melted away in reckless speculations. His stocks and bonds were involved in the embarrassment of a great railway and the failure of a metropolitan bank, and his mill and real estate all passed out of his hands to meet the liabilities thus incurred

Then, as misfortunes like rooks always fly in black flocks, his only daughter, a beautiful girl, died just in the bloom of young womanhood and his son was drowned on a yachting excursion in the Mediterranean. The old man, thus wrecked in his affections and fortunes, fell into an illness, from which he arose after many weeks a broken and a disabled man, one side partially paralyzed and his left arm and hand quite useless. When he came to consciousness the executioners were in the lower rooms of his house knocking down the furniture to the lowest bidder, and Hannah Poering was at his bedside, where she had faithfully held her post for six long weeks. The doctor had hid in a few of the precious old volumes from Rand's valuable library, and in less than a week after the sale the sick man and this little remnant of his fortunes, once great for a country town, were moved over to Hannah's best room, the parlor of the brown cottage where he had lived ever since on her care and bounty.

Hannah said she was paying a debt, and if she spent the remainder of her life in nursing Hiram Rand it would not make up to him what he had done for her. He was old, alone in the world, without near relatives, poor and practically helpless, for he was nailed to his chair by paralysis and could only just manage to wheel himself from his bed to his reading table by the window. The quiet, unostentatious benefactions of the man had made him many friends, but principally among the poor, who could do nothing but pray for him in his afflictions. Hannah had kept him now for three years, giving him the care of a loving and devoted daughter. He had taken it in the right spirit, for, as he often said, it is a rarer virtue to receive with grace than to give from your abundance. A peculiar bond had grown up between them as she cooked and washed for him, or nursed his ailments and kept the sunny little parlor where he lived as neat as wax, replying to all narrow minded criticism of her behavior with biting, sarcastic speech

It was with immense pride and affection that Hannah looked at the old man, whom she reverenced as a being of supernatural endowments. She was not a woman to do things by halves nor to stint her love and devotion It was her belief that the old man had brought her good luck and a blessing for had she not flourished uncommonly these three years past? Had not everybody been kind? Had not the world been made soft to her in many unexpected ways, and human love and appreciation been shown to her as they seldom were to her rich neighbors? But some of her hopes had miscarried Do any of us bring all our little dream argosies into port? Sybil would never make a teacher She had been forced to let her learn typewriting and take a place in Lawyer Dinsmore's office

Sybil was now eighteen and not at all of her mother's temperament, not at all a driver with mighty power to turn off work with tears and laughter lying close together in her fiery and impetuous soul but round and soft and dreamy as callow birds in the west—the poetic young girl but half awake to the outer world and living in a realm of her own thoughts and fancies.

And Dick too had been taken from school and placed in the chemical works of the town They were both earning a little, but it was a pang at Hannah's heart when she thought that Dick must be kept from his books. The boy had a real passion for mathematics and nights after her labor, with a stocking to mend on her hand the mother bent with her boy over his slate trying vainly to help him with the knotty problems

Mr Rand had no head for figures. He acknowledged it with sorrow It was a singular defect in his constitution that had led to the wreck of his worldly affairs. As he said, he could not comprehend why two and two should invariably make four But the old man had tried to form Dick a literary taste on the best models. He had recommended to him, as entertaining reading of the saveriest kind Burton's Melancholia Sir Thomas Browne's Essay on Burial Urns, Moore's Utopia and Isaak Walton's Gentle Angler The boy had come near breaking his mental teeth on these hard nuts and had failed to crack any of them except Walton, who is meat for all ages.

Now we must go back to Hannah where she stood testing the hot iron close to her brown cheek there in the little kitchen where the fresh clothes had begun to drift like snow banks in January filling chairs baskets and tables with their daintiness In a handsome pile were Judge Rivers Washington shirts shining with elbow gloss and the high splendor of the iron Hannah had paused for a moment to listen at the old man's door The doctor was within and she heard the two old fellows laughing together and the sound warmed the cockles of her heart Presently the doctor came into the kitchen and closed the door behind him He was a very large man the heaviest it was said in Littlefield, and purry to a degree that when he tried to get through Hannah's small doors he was obliged to turn edgewise. His tremendous nose, of no particular shape was matched by a great double chin and heavy, hanging cheeks. But above rose one of the best and soundest of heads, a noble forehead, with an eye like an eagle's, piercing dark, terrible or benignant. It saw straight through all shams and could shine in tears or laughter or chastise with a whip of scorpions.

The doctor's head was immense above his great, generous ears, and his capacious, shabby hat was set far back upon it. His clothes were rusty and spotted with chemicals, and he carried about with him the odor of the drug shop, as doctors often do. His hands strange to say were small and fine, and seemed always involuntarily fingering a weak pulse. A sixth sense seemed to reside in those supersensitive hands. He came up to Hannah's ironing table, and a little furtive smile began to curl round her thin lips and light up her dark face, for she knew what was coming. The doctor had slipped a dollar greenback under the ironing stand.

"You know, Hannah," said he in the wheedling, coaxing tone he used with nervous, fidgety unreasonable patients, "I couldn't think of taking the old man's money You must use the fee to buy him some little comforts. Why, Hannah, it's such a privilege to come in and talk a bit with the old man. I don't do it half as often as I would like to, it seems a dissipation, like the opium habit or gin drinking You should have heard him today, he was immense—way up in the starry spheres, and you would have thought that those old chaps who wrote his favorite books were right there in the room with him."

The doctor was talking against time and Hannah, as she passed in her work, gave him a penetrating look. "I guess," said she slowly, "there are angels up there that stalk, if they don't laugh right out, at some of the lies that's told down here. As if the old man had money to pay in fees. As if he had had a cent in his pocket since he came to me three years ago. We thought that maybe some of his distant rich kin might think to send him a Christmas present, but they never do. There's two things folks always keep clear of, doctor—poverty and pestilence."

"But it's to be remembered, Hannah," responded the doctor, "that the poor are always good to the poor. Without their kindness to each other the world would not go on. I've seen a good deal of human nature in my time, and I know it's awfully mean in spots, and in other spots it's lit up with heaven's own light unexpected spots, too, mostly."

"Yes," said Hannah, softly setting down her iron. "When I think of you going round in the country in your old mud spattered shay, tending the tired farmers' wives, and the rheumatic old folks, and the sick babies, somehow I think of them lines in the Bible, 'The desert and the solitary place shall rejoice, and the wilderness shall blossom like the rose.'"

"Ho, Hannah," said the doctor, pushing back his hat still further on his great head, and looking warm and embarrassed. "Who'd ever thought you would drop into poetry? What am I or any of us compared with that old philosopher in there nailed to his chair, helpless and half dead, and with the light of happiness all around him. I tell you, Hannah, he's a daily lesson to me. By the way, have you heard that Joel has had an offer for his farm? A big offer too. A city man is coming here to set up a racing stable and to raise fine stock. He's taken a fancy to the old place, and it is thought Joel will get almost any price he may ask. You know that detached piece of fifty acres on the Dewberry road the old man left in wood land? Well, it's coming right into the market. The town is growing rapidly out in that direction, and Joel talks of cutting it up into building lots and selling off as so much the foot. They do say the best part of the town is going out that way, and Joel will know how to make his profit."

"That wood lot would have been mine and the children's," cried Hannah suddenly, throwing up her hand with a passionate gesture, "if I hadn't signed away our rights, and now the wicked flourish like a green bay tree."

"Tut, tut," said the doctor, in a mild tone of rebuke. "Think of the old man in there who never utters a word of complaint against those who have wronged him."

"I know," said Hannah, suddenly humbled; "he's a saint, and he's brought a blessing to this house, but I am not a patient nature and sometimes when I get to thinking about the past I'm most mad."

The doctor looked for a moment silently into the woman's thin, dark face and eager eyes. "I am sorry you signed away your rights to Joel," said he at last, "but if the old man's property turns out valuable beyond all that was expected, I shouldn't wonder if the court ordered, I shouldn't wonder if the court could rip up that agreement, for the children are still minors and in a way under its care."

Hannah's sinewy hand trembled with eagerness as she grasped the handle of the iron. "I was half crazy when I signed that paper What with Joel nagging me about Anson's debt to him, and the mortgage on my house coming to foreclosure, and my heart in the grave with him I had lost—for he was a good man—and the children clinging to me and crying, I signed away those right and title. It was after that Mr Rand came and brought me the paid up mortgage, and then I came to my senses for the first time and the tears moistened my tired stony eyes."

"I know it all, Hannah," said the doctor, as if coaxing a sick child. "It don't do any good to keep going over those hard places in life. Let us look about and see what can be done in the present."

"Oh, if I could but find that paper acknowledging the payment of the money! It all comes back to me now just how it happened. You see Anson met Joel in town and paid him and took a receipt, and Joel promised to bring the note next time he drove in from the farm. It was on a Saturday and before the next Monday Anson lay dead. I remember seeing that paper in Anson's possession, and he must have kep' it along with the others in a little tin box Oh, if I only could remember about that box, where it was put," and Hannah drew in her breath sharply

"I'm afraid it never will come to light" said the doctor as if humoring one of Hannah's fixed delusions but if the wood lot proves to be worth double or treble the amount of the bill the agreement might be ripped up and the children come into their rights I'm afraid you'll never prove fraud. Joel is too cunning an old fox"

"Yes, he's cunnin, that's a fact," said Hannah "but he know Anson was an awful careless man with papers, and my husband, though he knew Joel was mean and tight, never thought he'd be unbrotherly in the way he's showed him self, to make me sign a release before my husband was hardly cold in his coffin. I guess I will speak to Lawyer Dinsmore. You know Sybil is his typewriter and he might take an interest I hain't much opinion of lawyers or lawin' Anson never had, either," she added with the narrow view of a woman who holds her dead husband's opinions as binding in all things "but sometimes I s'pose they're necessary evils."

CHAPTER II.

The door opened to admit Miss Ruby Armstrong

The doctor went away without ceremony, and Hannah picked up the dollar bill he had left under the ironing stand.

"There's good folks in the world," she said to herself folks that in spite of love in God's heaven, in love and justice and mercy, when the world is all stony and our feet are bleeding along the rough ground. Bless that fat old doctor, he's got a heart as big as an ox. This bill will help toward half a ton of coal to keep the old man warm," and she tucked it into the family Bible on the shelf, where many another from the same source had before been hidden.

The morning was getting on, and Hannah's work was not yet half done. So she turned again to her toil, bending her spare form until every muscle and sinew was brought into play in the concentration of what she had to do She put forth vital energy and was a "terrible worker," as Miss Ruby Armstrong truly called her When the town clock struck twelve the backbone of her labor had been broken. Happily Mr Rand's luncheon in the middle of the day consisted of a simple bowl of bread and milk and did not demand even a cup of tea. But Hannah brewed herself a cup, and of the strongest. She smoothed her black hair back with both her hands as she sat down by her ironing table to rest and wiped the big beads of perspiration from her forehead.

A nature like Hannah's finds a dangerous hilarity in tea, and when she had swallowed two cups she felt strong again, like Samson when his hair had grown. She made ready the tray for her old man, as she called him, and tapped lightly at the parlor door The summons came at once, and Hannah, as she passed within, seemed to have entered another sphere. Here in this large, low coiled room, with its simple

(Continued next week.)

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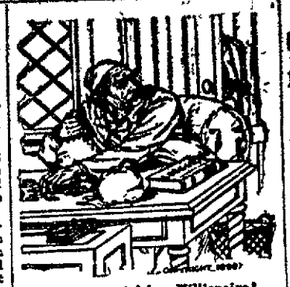

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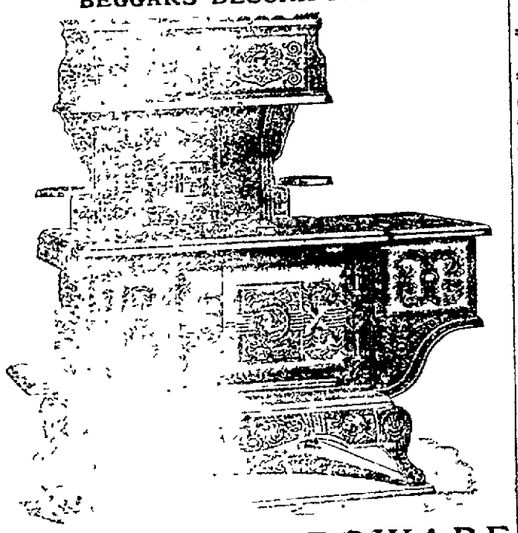

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CHAS. K. SCHAFER, Esq., Counsellor-at-Law, Philadelphia, writes: "I have known Professor Huntington and his family for several years, and can cheerfully recommend the Academy to the patronage of parents who desire for their children a thorough education. Professor Huntington is a gentleman of the highest character, and a scholar of rare attainments. His wife is a lady of culture and refinement, and their children are models of good behavior. The Academy is in a healthful locality, and is surrounded by refined influences. I cheerfully commend it to the patronage of parents who desire for their children a thorough education."

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BUFFALO EXPRESS, ... 9:05 A. M.
BUFFALO MAIL ..... 2:35 P. M.

Train leaving Smethport at 2:35 p. m. connects at Eldred with R. & P. for Bradford at Olean with Erie Division for Allegany, Salamanca, Oil City and Pittsburg.

For Clermont, Johnsonburg and points south; CLERMONT MAIL, ... 10:45 A. M.
CLERMONT ACCOM., ... 1:05 P. M.
LOCAL ..... 7:00 P. M.

Clermont Mail connects through to Johnsonburgh.

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EASTWARD.

LEAVE BRADFORD—EAST BOUND

8.10 a. m.—Buffalo & Rochester Express—For Kane, Ridgway, Kittanning, Clarion, Brookville, Punxsutawney and the Coal and Lumber Regions of Pennsylvania. Also at Kittanning Junction for Pittsburg. Parlor cars through to Buffalo. Connects at Punxsutawney for Driftwood, Emporium, Renovo, Lock Haven, Williamsport and Harrisburg.

8.10 a. m.—Mail—For Salamanca, Kane, Ridgway, Brookville, Punxsutawney, Kittanning Junction and Pittsburg. Parlor cars through to Buffalo. Connects at Punxsutawney for Driftwood, Emporium, Renovo, Lock Haven, Williamsport and Harrisburg.

2.50 p. m.—Buffalo Express—Daily except Sunday. For Salamanca, Carrollton, Kane, Ridgway, Brookville, Punxsutawney, Kittanning Junction and Pittsburg. Parlor cars through to Buffalo. Connects at Punxsutawney for Driftwood, Emporium, Renovo, Lock Haven, Williamsport and Harrisburg.

5.15 p. m.—Buffalo & Rochester Express—Daily except Sunday. For Salamanca, Carrollton, Kane, Ridgway, Brookville, Punxsutawney, Kittanning Junction and Pittsburg. Parlor cars through to Buffalo. Connects at Punxs